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SUBJECT: REMARKS BY MINISTER OF DEFENSE ON GOT REACTION TO
ARMS EMBARGO

1. IN CONVERSATION WITH SWEDISH CHARGE, IRANIAN ATTACHE,
AND U.S. EMBOFF AT CANADA DAY RECEPTION LAST NIGHT (JULY 1)
MINISTER OF DEFENSE FERIT MELEN SAID HE HAD GAINED FIRM
IMPRESSION DURING HIS RECENT VISIT TO U.S. (FOR NUCLEAR
PLANNING GROUP MINISTERIAL) THAT "TURKISH-U.S. RELATIONS
ARE BEING SACRIFICED ON ALTAR OF U.S. DOMESTIC POLITICS."
HE NOTED THAT ARMS EMBARGO IS CAUSING TURKISH ARMED
FORCES SEVERE PROBLEMS AND WILL ULTIMATELY RESULT IN
SERIOUS DETERIORATION OF NATO'S SOUTHERN FLANK DEFENSES.

2. ASKED BY SWEDISH CHARGE WHETHER GOT PLANNED FOLLOW
THROUGH WITH COUNTERMEASURES ANNOUNCED JUNE 17, MELEN
SAID, "WE HAVE NO OTHER CHOICE -- WE TOO HAVE OUR POLITICAL
PROBLEMS." HE ADDED THAT ALL BASIC GOT-U.S. BILATERAL
AGREEMENTS MUST BE RENEGOTIATED. IN RESPONSE TO ANOTHER
QUERY BY SWEDISH CHARGE, MELEN SAID GOT HAS NO
INTENTION OF RENOUNCING ITS NATO TIES.

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